

Response to Rule 312 Communication**Application No.**

10/763,159

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1. ☒ The amendment filed on 15 April 2011 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

- a) ☒ entered.
b) ☐ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.

- d) ☐ disapproved. See explanation below.
e) ☐ entered in part. See explanation below.

Examiner has entered the amendment filed under Rule 312 on 4/15/2011, which obviates the amendment filed under Rule 312 on 4/8/2011 and Examiner's response mailed on 4/18/2011 to the Rule 312 amendment of 4/8/2011. Thus, Examiner withdraws the Rule 312 response mailed on 4/18/2011 and replaces that response with this Rule 312 response.

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